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Re: Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Regarding Early
Warning Reporting Requirements
Docket No. NHTSA 2001-8677; Notice 1

Dear Sir or Madam:

We, Bridgestone Corporation, would like to provide certain information to the docket regarding the March 23, 2001 correspondence from Osamu Nishiyama and the Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on the Early Warning Reporting Requirements for the Transportation Recall Enhancement Accountability and Documentation (TREAD) Act.

The comments submitted by Mr. Nishiyama were his own personal comments and do not necessarily reflect the position of Bridgestone Corporation. Bridgestone Corporation, as a member of the Rubber Manufacturers Association, participated in the development of the comments submitted by the Rubber Manufacturers Association. Bridgestone Corporation endorses the comments of the Rubber Manufacturers Association as the official position of Bridgestone.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Early Warning Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and to set the record straight regarding the position of Bridgestone Corporation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Yoshihara', with a stylized flourish at the end.

M.YOSHIHARA
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